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### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported S. 414, to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act, to ban abusive credit practices, enhance consumer disclosures, protect underage consumers, with amendments.

### LESSONS FROM THE NEW DEAL

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Economic Policy concluded a hearing to examine lessons from the New Deal, after receiving testimony from Christina D. Romer, Chair, President's Council of Economic Advisers; James K. Galbraith, University of Texas at Austin Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs; J. Bradford DeLong, University of California Berkeley; Allan M. Winkler, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio; and Lee E. Ohanian, University of California Los Angeles Ettinger Family Program in Macroeconomic Research.

### HEALTH INSURANCE INDUSTRY PRACTICES

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine health insurance industry practices, after receiving testimony from Stephen J. Hemsley, UnitedHealth Group, Washington, D.C.; and Andy Slavitt, Ingenix, Eden Prairie, Minnesota.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Thomas L. Strickland, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior.

### PROMOTING WATER USE EFFICIENCY

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife concluded a hearing to examine Environmental Protection Agency's role in promoting water use efficiency, after receiving testimony from Michael Shapiro, Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Water, Environmental Protection Agency; Martha Davis, Inland Empire Utilities Agency, Chino, California; Mary Ann Dickinson, Alliance for Water Efficiency, Chicago, Illinois; Mark A. Shannon, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Center of Advanced Materials for the Purification of Water with Systems, Urbana; and

G. Tracy Mehan, III, Cadmus Group, Inc., Arlington, Virginia.

### TARP OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine a six month update on the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP), after receiving testimony from Neil Barofsky, Special Inspector General, Troubled Asset Relief Program Department of the Treasury; Gene L. Dodaro, Acting Comptroller General, Government Accountability Office; and Elizabeth Warren, Chair, Congressional Oversight Panel.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 384, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2010 through 2014 to provide assistance to foreign countries to promote food security, to stimulate rural economies, and to improve emergency response to food crises, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, with an amendment;

S. 705, to reauthorize the programs of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation;

S. Res. 90, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the Fifth Summit of the Americas in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, from April 17–19, 2009;

S. Con. Res. 11, condemning all forms of anti-Semitism and reaffirming the support of Congress for the mandate of the Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism, with an amendment;

S. Res. 9, commemorating 90 years of U.S.-Polish diplomatic relations, during which Poland has proven to be an exceptionally strong partner to the United States in advancing freedom around the world;

S. Res. 20, celebrating the 60th anniversary of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization;

S. Res. 56, urging the Government of Moldova to ensure a fair and democratic election process for the parliamentary elections on April 5, 2009; and

The nominations of Timothy F. Geithner, of New York, to be United States Governor of the International Monetary Fund, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the Inter-American Development Bank, the African Development Bank, the Asian Development Bank, the African Development Fund, and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; and Esther Brimmer, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for International Organization Affairs, Karl Winfrid Eikenberry, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, Philip H. Gordon, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for European and Eurasian Affairs, Rose Eilene